



Response under 37 CFR § 1.116  
Expedited Procedure  
Examining Group 1645

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PATENT

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Tang et al.

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For: Methods for Producing Biological Substances in Pigment-Deficient Mutants of Bacillus Cells

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 11, 2006, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

**Amendments to the specification** begin on page 2 of this document.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this document.

**Remarks and arguments** begin on page 9 of this document.

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